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Docket No.: C013929/0126669

**REPLY UNDER
37 CFR § 1.116**

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1600

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Catia Bastioli *et al.*) Examiner: C. D. Sayala
Serial No.: 09/936,534) Art Unit: 1794
Filed: February 3, 2003)
For: **ARTICLES TO BE CHEWED BY ANIMALS**)

New York, New York
September 4, 2008

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING AMENDMENT
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before September 8, 2008. 37 CFR §§ 1.7, 1.8, and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$60.00

(small entity) to cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17. Please charge any required extension-of-time fees not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Because the Office Action made the rejection of the pending claims final, consideration of this response pursuant to the expedited procedure for response after final rejection set forth in MPEP § 714.13 (8th Ed., Rev. 6, Sept. 2007, pp. 700-263 to 700-264) respectfully is solicited.

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Application No.: 09/936,534
Amendment Dated: September 4, 2008
Reply to Office Action Dated: May 8, 2008

Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 6 of this paper.